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PATENT APPLICATION
Docket No. 15568.1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of)
	David Watling)
Serial No.	10/009,102)Art Unit) 1744
Filed:	March 6, 2002)
Confirmation No.:	5518)
For:	SEALED CLOSURE STERILIZATION)
Examiner:	Krisanne Marie Jastrzab)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period which was set for responding to the final Office Action dated January 9, 2006, in the above-identified patent application be extended for one-month until May 9, 2006.

Form PTO-2038 submitting Credit Card Payment in the amount of \$120.00 is enclosed herewith for payment of the fee associated with this Petition, as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Petition to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

84/20/2006 MBINAS 60000041 10009102 01 FC:1251 120.00 OP If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

Dated this 19th day of April 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

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